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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT: VIETNAM AFTER PARIS

- 1. BELGRADE DAILY POLITIKA MARCH 15 EDIT " VIETNAM AFTER PARIS" ( RADENKOVIC) STATES VIETNAM HAS NOW ENTERED " PROBABLY ITS MOST COMPLEX STAGE" BUT, IN SPITE OF PROBLEMS, RELATIVE OPTIMISM REMAINS. WHERE MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS OF HANOI AND WASHINGTON ARE DIRECTLY INVOLVED, EDIT NOTES, AGREEMENT PROVISIONS ARE BEING " RELATIVELY RESPECTED". HOWEVER, "IN SPHERE WHERE TEMPER OF SAIGON DICTATOR CAN BE FELT -- REALIZATION OF AGREEMENT IS SMALLEST AND UNCERTAINTLY GREATEST." PRESIDENT THIEU ATTEMPTS TO CREATE DCHRONIC " NO WAR, NO PEACE" STATE, ADDS POLITIKA EDIT. RADENKOVIC MAINTAINS " CHARACTERISTIC DUALITY CAN BE OBSERVED" IN US POSITION: "THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT OF US DETERMINATION TO FINALLY BE RID OF UNPLEASANT VIETNAM MILITARY EXPERIENCE--THERE CANNOT BE DOUBT OF ITS READINESS TO ALLOW POLITICAL FAIR- PLAY IN SOUTH VIETNAM. "BUT, EDIT ADDS, "AMERICANS WOULD RATHER SEE SOUTH VIETNAM AS POLYGON OF ENTANGLED MANEUVERS THAN AS STABLE PROGRESSIVE STATE."
- 2. BELGRADE DAILY BORBA IN MARCH 15 EDIT ( BOGOJEVIC) ON US AID IN POSTWAR RESTORATION OF NVN COMMENTS THAT US ASSISTANCE UNCLASSIFIED

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CANNOT BE REGARDED AS EXTENSION OF "MERCY" BUT "OBLIGATION" WHICH CAN PARTIALLY COMPENSATE FOR MATERIAL LOSSES BUT, EDIT STATES, "SUM OF DOLLARS CAN NEVER COMPENSATE HUMAN VICTIMS FOR HORRIBLE SUFFERING PERPETRATED BY US AGGRESSOR ON THAT COUNTRY." EDIT NOTES RELUCATANCE "CONSERVATIVE WING OF US CONGRESS" TO EXTEND AID AND CONCLUDES THAT IF US DELEGATION IN TALKS ON POSTWAR AID TO NVN "APPROACH FROM POSITION OF 'MERCIFUL WINNER' IT IS SURE THESE TALKS WILL PRODUCE NOTHING. IT IS ALSO SURE BLAME WOULD NOT BE BORNE BY REPRESENTATIVES OF REAL WINNER-- VIETNAMESE PEOPLE."

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